

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 610

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A RESOLUTION to recognize and honor Sherwood Green Farm as a Tennessee Century Farm.

WHEREAS, the history, traditions, and unique culture of our great State that we relish are truly sacred and worthy of our most noble efforts to preserve them as sacrosanct artifacts of our past and use them as path stones that let us daily trod in the perpetuity of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, in 1985, the Center for Historic Preservation of Middle Tennessee State University assumed the responsibility of the program and now documents at least one Century Farm in all of Tennessee's ninety-five counties; and

WHEREAS, over the course of the program's thirty-five-year existence, 1,507 farms have been certified by the Tennessee Century Farm Program; of those, 157 are documented to be 200 years old, 634 are 150 years old, and 716 are over 100 years old; and

WHEREAS, one family farm designated as a Tennessee Century Farm is the Sherwood Green Farm located just east of the community of Nolensville in Williamson County; and

WHEREAS, founded in 1808 by North Carolina government surveyor and Revolutionary War veteran Sherwood Green, the original farm was 640 acres upon which the proprietor practiced general agriculture. Twice married, Mr. Green fathered twelve children and in 1840, he left the farm to his youngest son, Edward J. Green, who was a Confederate War veteran and the father of nine; and

WHEREAS, in 1920, when the founder's grandson, Lundy L. Green, inherited 140 acres of the property, he established the farm's dairy; his sons, Allen J. and John E. Green, worked diligently and built Sherwood Green Farm into one of Williamson County's leading dairy production farms of the twentieth century. Today, the farm is dedicated to raising beef cattle; and

WHEREAS, this legislative body is pleased to recognize the Sherwood Green Farm as the legacy of multiple generations of this industrious and patriotic family, placing it on the roster of the State's Century Farm Program as one of Tennessee's oldest agricultural endeavors; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and congratulate owner Ms. Janice Green, whose Sherwood Green Farm has been designated a Tennessee Century Farm, commend the Green family for their dedication to agriculture, and extend our best wishes to them for every future success.

BE IT FURTHERED RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy,